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Gentlemen:

Re: NOTICE OF TENTATIVE APPROVAL - McFarland & Hullinger, SI02 1-6 Project, M/045/046

Attached is a Notice of Tentative Approval from the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Department of Natural Resources, State of Utah.

It is requested that this notice be published ONCE ONLY as soon as possible, but no later than the <u>29th day of September, 2000</u>. In the event that said notice cannot be published by this date, please notify me immediately by calling 538-5291.

Upon completion of this request, please send proof of publication and statement of cost to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801; phone (801) 538-5340.

Sincerely,

Joelle Burns

Minerals Secretary

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BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF A TENTATIVE

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE THE LARGE MINE NOTICE OF INTENTION FOR **DECISION TO APPROVE**

NO. M/045/046 McFARLAND & HULLINGER'S

SIO2 #1-6 MINE, TOOELE COUNTY,

UTAH

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTIONS 21 AND 28, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, SLBM, TOOELE COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve the Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for McFarland and Hullinger's SiO2 #1-6 Mine. Mining activities will affect the following area: NW1/4 of the NE1/4 and the NE1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 28, and the SW1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 21, Township 1 North, Range 6 West, Tooele County, Utah.

This is an existing high silica sandstone quarrying operation. It is a small mining operation which is being expanded to a large mining status. McFarland and Hullinger will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 40 acres of land.

During Operations:

The base of the operating area is used for product stockpiling and processing of quarried material. Available topsoil was pre-stripped from this area and stockpiled for use in final reclamation. Drills holes in the quarry area will be loaded with explosives and blasted. The blasted material will fall or be pushed down to a collection point where it will be picked up by loaders. The material will then be crushed and sorted for proper size gradation. This site will produce approximately 240,000 tons a year of product. No waste will be produced. All mined and crushed material is sold as marketable product.

After Operations:

The processing areas and access roads will be reclaimed by ripping and then redistributing the stockpiled topsoil material to a 6-inch depth, then reseeded in accordance with the prescribed seed mix. The working face (highwall of the quarry) will be left as is and allowed to oxidize, returning to its original color naturally and permanently. About half of the total disturbed area will be reclaimed. The balance will remain as quarried highwall area.

The person representing the company is Mr. Sid Hullinger; Phone (435) 882-0103. McFarland and Hullinger is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS <u>as</u> day of September, 2000

STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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